

Title (en)  
Bioabsorbable suture anchor system for use in small joints

Title (de)  
Biologisch abbaubares Nähfadenankersystem für kleine Gelenke

Title (fr)  
Dispositif bioabsorbable d'ancre de suture pour petites articulations

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Abstract (en)  
The anchor has an elongate body (11) with leading and trailing ends. The length of the body is in the range of 2 to 6 millimeter. A flared portion is formed on the trailing end. The flared portion engages and anchors into a bone tissue. A suture channel (32) is formed in the body for passage of a suture strand. The channel extends between two opposed surfaces of the body. The anchor toggles and anchors inside a bone cavity. An independent claim is also included for a system for anchoring tissue to a bone.

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